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Hydrologic Unit name	Hydrologic Unit number	Counties¹ within Hydrologic Unit and within range of ESU	Dams/Reservoirs
Lower Yakima	17030003	Benton (WA), Klickitat (WA), Yakima (WA).	
Middle Columbia-Lake Wallula	17070101	Gilliam (OR), Morrow (OR), Umatilla (OR), Benton (WA), Klickitat (WA), Sherman (OR), Walla Walla (WA), Yakima (WA).	
Walla Walla	17070102	Umatilla (OR), Wallowa (OR), Co- lumbia (WA), Walla Walla (WA).	
Umatilla	17070103	Morrow (OR), Umatilla (OR), Union (OR).	
Willow Middle Columbia-Hood	17070104 17070105	Morrow (OR), Gilliam (OR) Hood River (OR), Sherman (OR), Wasco (OR), Klickitat (WA), Skamania (WA).	Condit Dam
Klickitat Upper John Day	17070106 17070201	Klickitat (WA), Yakima (WA) Crook (OR), Grant (OR), Harney (OR), Wheeler (OR),.	
North Fork John Day	17070202	Grant (OR), Morrow (OR), Umatilla (OR), Union (OR), Wheeler (OR).	
Middle Fork John Day Lower John Day	17070203 17070204	Grant (OR)	
Lower Deschutes	17070306	Hood River (OR), Jefferson (OR), Sherman (OR), Wasco (OR).	Pelton Dam
Trout	17070307	Crook (OR), Jefferson (OR), Wasco (OR).	
Lower Columbia-Sandy	17080001	Multnomah (OR), Clark (WA), Skamania (WA).	
Lower Columbia-Clatskanie	17080003	Clatsop (OR), Columbia (WA), Cowlitz (WA), Wahkiakum (WA).	
Lower Columbia	17080006	Clatsop (OR), Pacific (WA), Wahkiakum (WA).	
Lower Willamette	17090012	Columbia (OR), Multnomah (OR)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Some counties have very limited overlap with estuarine, riverine, or riparian habitats identified as critical habitat for this ESU. Consult USGS hydrologic unit maps (available from USGS) to determine specific county and basin boundaries.

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#### § 228.1 Basis and purpose.

(a) Sections 101(a)(2), 101(a)(3)(A), and 101(b) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1371(a)(2), 1371(a)(3)(A), and 1371(b)) and these regulations authorize the Assistant Administrator of the National Marine Fisheries Service, to:

- (1) Impose regulations governing the taking of marine mammals incidental to commercial fishing operations;
- (2) Waive the moratorium and to adopt regulations with respect to the taking and importing of animals from each species of marine mammals under the Assistant Administrator's jurisdiction;
- (3) Prescribe regulations governing the taking of depleted marine mammals by any Indian, Aleut or Eskimo, respectively. In prescribing regulations to carry out the provisions of said sections, the Act refers the Assistant Administrator to section 103 (16 U.S.C. 1373). In accordance with section 103(d), regulations must be made on the record after opportunity for an agency hearing on such regulations and, in the case of a waiver, on the determination by the Assistant Administrator to waive the moratorium pursuant to section 101(a)(3)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1371(a)(3)(A)).
- (b) The purpose of this part is to establish rules of practice and procedure for all hearings conducted pursuant to section 103(d) of the Act.

#### § 228.2 Definitions.

- (a) Party means, for the purposes of this subpart:
- (1) The Assistant Administrator or the Assistant Administrator's representative:
- (2) A person who has notified the Assistant Administrator by specified dates of his or her intent to participate in the hearing pursuant to §§ 228.5 and 228.14(b).
- (b) Witness means, for the purpose of this part, any person who submits written direct testimony on the proposed regulations. A person may be both a party and a witness.

### § 228.3 Scope of regulations.

The procedural regulations in this part govern the practice and procedure in hearings held under section 103(d) of the Act. These hearings will be governed by the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 556 and section 557 of the Administrative Procedure Act. The regulations shall be construed to secure the just, speedy and inexpensive determination of all issues raised with respect to any waiver or regulation proposed pursuant to

section 103(d) of the Act with full protection for the rights of all persons affected thereby.

#### § 228.4 Notice of hearing.

- (a) A notice of hearing on any proposed regulations shall be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, together with the Assistant Administrator's proposed determination to waive the moratorium pursuant to section 101(a)(3)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1371(a)(3)(A)), where applicable.
  - (b) The notice shall state:
  - (1) The nature of the hearing;
- (2) The place and date of the hearing. The date shall not be less than 60 days after publication of notice of the hearing:
- (3) The legal authority under which the hearing is to be held;
- (4) The proposed regulations and waiver, where applicable, and a summary of the statements required by section 103(d) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1373(d));
- (5) Issues of fact which may be involved in the hearing;
- (6) If a draft Environmental Impact Statement is required, the date of publication of the draft and the place(s) where the draft and comments thereon may be viewed and copied;
- (7) Any written advice received from the Marine Mammal Commission;
- (8) The place(s) where records and submitted direct testimony will be kept for public inspection:
- (9) The final date for filing with the Assistant Administrator a notice of intent to participate in the hearing pursuant to §228.5;
- (10) The final date for submission of direct testimony on the proposed regulations and waiver, if applicable, and the number of copies required;
- (11) The docket number assigned to the case which shall be used in all subsequent proceedings; and
- (12) The place and date of the prehearing conference.

## § 228.5 Notification by interested persons.

Any person desiring to participate as a party shall notify the Assistant Administrator, by certified mail, on or before the date specified in the notice.